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BENJAMIN REIFEL, Republican of Aberdeen, S. Dak.; born in log cabin September 19, 1906, in Parmelee S. Dak. to Sioux Indian mother and German-American father; graduated from South Dakota State University, B. S. degree in 1932 and Harvard University, master in public administration in 1950 and doctor of public administration in 1952; married Alice Johnson of Erwin S. Dak. December 26, 1933, one daughter, Loyce (Mrs. Emery G. Anderson); Administrator in Bureau of Indian Affairs, U. S. Department of the Interior; U. S. Army officer 1942-45; named Outstanding American Indian in 1956; Indian Council Fire Award, 1960; Boy Scout Silver Antelope Award for leadership, 1960; elected to the 87th Congress; reelected to the 88th, 89th, 90th, and 91st Congresses; member, Appropriations Committee.

(Chairman of the NCPC)